

House Resolution No. 160

Whereas, it is with great pride and sincere admiration that the members of the Missouri House of Representatives honor treasured residents of the Show-Me State who have experienced the joys and blessings of a prosperous marriage; and

Whereas, fifty years ago on January 1, 1952, Billy D. Irvin took the hand of his beautiful bride, Vivian V. Zumwalt, as they began their commitment to a lifetime of shared love and devotion by exchanging wedding vows during a solemn ceremony in Paola, Kansas; and

Whereas, in the years since that heavenly day, Billy and Vivian Irvin have had the pleasure of raising four daughters, Wanda Lee Crowder, Vicki Lynne Smith, Deborah Ann Irvin, and Deanna Rose Reece; and four sons, Billy Dale Irvin, John Ray Irvin, Devin Dean Irvin, and Shannon Shane Irvin; and

Whereas, a retired rock mason, Billy Irvin now has more time to enjoy serving as an election judge, hunting, fishing, and riding horses; and

Whereas, an exemplary homemaker, Vivian Irvin also derives satisfaction by serving as an election judge, fishing, and riding horses, as well as sewing and collecting dolls; and

Whereas, Billy and Vivian Irvin serve as an example of the way God intended marriage to be as demonstrated by their enjoyment of daily companionship, their constant display of support for one another, and their shared commitment in respecting the feelings and opinions of each other; and

Whereas, Mr. and Mrs. Irvin undoubtedly renewed their commitment to keep their relationship fresh and alive when they celebrated the glorious occasion of their Golden Wedding Anniversary in the company of more than one hundred family members and friends on January 5, 2002, at the Community Building in Cleveland:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-first General Assembly, join unanimously in extending our most hearty congratulations to Billy and Vivian Irvin for their tremendous success in achieving a half century of wedded bliss and in wishing them many happy and rewarding years to come; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for Mr. and Mrs. Billy D. Irvin.

Offered by _____
Representative Rex Rector
District No. 124

I, Jim Kreider, Speaker of the House of Representatives,
Ninety-first General Assembly, Second Regular Session, do
certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House
Resolution No. 160, adopted January 31, 2002.

Jim Kreider, Speaker

